Zero to Three Secondary Prevention Initiative Grants for Community-based Collaborative Prevention Services Fiscal Year 2008 Evaluation Report Submitted to the Governor and the Michigan Legislature in accordance with Section 32(c) of PA 137 of 2007, the State School Aid Act

Background:

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The Zero to Three Secondary Prevention Initiative (Zero to Three) is a statewide, community-based collaborative project aimed at developing an integrated system of prevention services for Michigan families with children ages birth through three years old who are at risk of abuse and/or neglect. Zero to Three is funded through appropriations from the State of Michigan Departments of Human Services (DHS; \$4,000,000; PA 131, Section 517), Education (MDE; \$2,125,000; PA 137, Section 32(c), State School Aid), and Community Health (DCH; \$524,000; PA 123, Section 113) of 2007. Appropriations for fiscal year 2007-2008 were \$6,649,000 which represents an increase of 39.28% over fiscal year 2005-2006 levels based upon outstanding outcomes and solid return on investment. The Children's Trust Fund (CTF) administers the Initiative on behalf of the collaborative partners who are advised through the Interagency Steering and Executive Committees appointed by the initiatives state human

Figure 1: Michigan Counties Served by Zero to Three in FY 2007-2008

Legislation mandates that Zero to Three funds be used for grants to support community-based collaborative prevention services designed to:

Foster positive parenting skills;

• Improve parent/child interactions;

Promote access to needed community services;

Increase local capacity to serve families at risk;

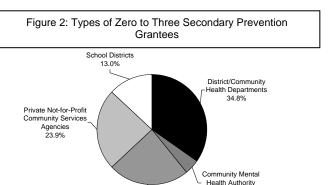
Improve school readiness;

 Support healthy environments that discourage alcohol, tobacco and other drug use.

The net increase of \$1,875,000 in appropriations through the State School Aid Act in fiscal years 2007 and 2008 allowed the Zero to

Three Secondary Prevention Initiative to increase funding from 37 grants serving 44 counties in fiscal year 2006 to 52 grants serving 56 counties in fiscal year 2008. Figure 1 illustrates the counties served in fiscal year 2007-2008. Figure 2 illustrates the proportions of different agencies receiving funds through Zero to Three grants. Grantees are varied in background but all provide research and/or evidence based family-centered prevention services to an identified at-risk population to reduce the incidence of maltreatment among Michigan's youngest children.

¹ PA 342, Section 32(c), State School Aid Act of 2006 and PA 137, Section 32(c), State School Aid Act of 2007



Private Not-for-Profit

Family Services Agencies

Evaluation Components:

During fiscal year 2008, the initiative has continued to develop methodologies for data collection and program evaluation. The Steering Committee continued to use a set of outcomes-based indicators that reflect the legislative intent of the Initiative. These indicators were created to address the

building reality of outcomes and accountability for programs and services. ² The overarching purpose of this set of indicators is to systematically collect data from the entirety of grantees and aggregate this data to inform the system as a whole.

All Zero to Three grantees continue to use the *Adult-Adolescent Parenting Inventory* (AAPI-2) as a state-wide evaluation measure. The AAPI-2 incorporates a research-based set of attitudes and behaviors associated with the parenting and child rearing behaviors of abusive parents; responses to the AAPI-2 inventory provide an index of risk for behaviors of those who maltreat children and are attributable to child abuse and neglect. The AAPI-2 classifies attitudinal responses into five areas called "constructs":

- Appropriate Expectations of Children
- Empathy for the Needs of the Child
- Alternatives to Corporal Punishment
- Appropriate Parent and Child Roles
- Valuing Children's Power and Independence

Scores for each of the five AAPI-2 constructs range from a low of 1 to a high of 10; a score of 1, 2 or 3 on a construct is considered at-risk for the given construct. Additionally, the AAPI-2 evaluation incorporates a *Demographic Questionnaire* to track demographic characteristics of participating parents.

Finally, the quarterly data collection system continued this Fiscal Year. Each quarter, grantees provide a report of the number and characteristics of families served, services delivered through the program and emerging program outcomes. These data provide the information necessary to determine whether the initiative has been implemented as designed.

Demographic and Service Data

Data on participants and services are collected each quarter. Based on these data, the estimate of the number of families served in 2008 is 4,393 (unduplicated count).

² The Zero to Three Secondary Prevention Indicators are available on-line at: http://www.michigan.gov/ctf

Because of the possibility for duplication over the four quarters, the initiative has chosen to report the number of participants served by quarter as an average. For each quarter in fiscal fear 2008, Zero to Three programs served an average of 2,886 families (91.6% of whom have three or more risk factors) 3,320 children, and 283 pregnant women. In sum, programs of the Initiative screened 28,199 families for possible enrollment, and 2,101 families, 2,229 children and 391 pregnant women were newly enrolled in Zero to Three funded services in Fiscal Year 2008.

Programs funded through the Zero to Three Initiative delivered 65,524 designated prevention services. Of this total:

- 66.8% were home visits.
- 23.8% were service coordination activities.
- 9.4% were services focused on parenting education, support groups and counseling services.

Additionally, 75,088 supplemental support services were delivered in fiscal year 2008. These services included, but were not limited to developmental screening, developmental newsletters, phone contacts and other supports such as transportation to doctor visits, etc.

Overall, a total of 140,612 services were delivered in fiscal year 2008.

Zero to Three Secondary Prevention Initiative Outcomes

Outcomes are categorized by the legislative requirements. Data for each of the legislative requirements is provided using three data collection tools: quarterly data collection forms; the AAPI-2; and an analysis of child protective services involvement.

Foster positive parenting skills - Supporting parents in strengthening characteristics that lend stability to their child's development

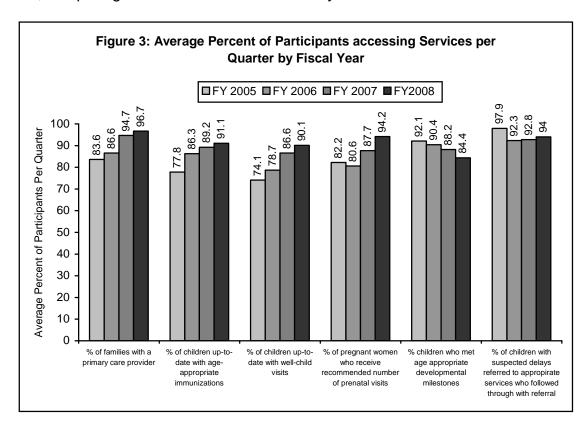
- Zero to Three programs focus on helping parents increase their understanding of child development, increase awareness and responsiveness to child engagement, increase understanding of appropriate child discipline techniques, and provide a safe and nurturing home environment. Outcomes included:
- Using the AAPI-2 to assess at-risk parenting attitudes from January 2005 through the present, 45.3% of participants with more than one AAPI-2 inventory (n =1409) were found to be at-risk of child abuse and/or neglect on their initial administration in at least one of the five constructs measured by the AAPI; of these at-risk participants, 36.4% were found not to be at-risk at their next assessment, indicating a decrease in at-risk parenting attitudes. Those still at-risk are, as an average, at-risk in 1.64 of the five constructs.
- The average number of constructs with scores that suggested risk of child abuse and/or neglect on the AAPI-2, decreased from 0.75 on the first administration to 0.71 at the second administration and to 0.66 on the third administration (n = 512).
- 100% of grantees are providing home visits with individualized instruction in parenting skills or promoting access to parenting skills classes focusing on basic child care and child safety, a figure that has remained stable since fiscal year 2005.

Improved parent/child interactions - Assisting and supporting parents to be appropriately responsive and consistent with the child's development and safety

- These programs focus on improving parent and child interactions including building understanding for the child's bids for attention, moods, emotions, expressions of interests, and efforts to communicate. Outcomes included:
- The number of families served in each of the four quarters in fiscal year 2008 ranged between 2,834 and 2,932, averaging 2,886 families served per quarter. This is a moderate increase from 2,571 families per quarter in fiscal year 2007, 2,500 families per quarter in 2006, and 2,756 families per quarter in 2005.
- An analysis of Child Protective Services records shows that 99.41% of 4,257 children served in Zero to Three programs in fiscal year 2008 did not have a Category I or II CPS case while enrolled, which would have indicated a preponderance of evidence of abuse or neglect and a high risk for future maltreatment.
- 99.86% of 3,172 children served and exiting services in 2008 did not have a Category I or II CPS Case subsequent to exiting services and prior to the end of this fiscal year.

Promote access to needed community services - Assistance for families to identify services to meet family needs and assist to remove barriers to accessing these services

 This component includes specialized services that the child may need as well as services for the entire family unit. Figure 3 summarizes these data from Fiscal Year 2008, comparing them with results from fiscal years 2005 to 2007.



Outcomes included:

- 50.7% of children served in fiscal year 2008, on average, participated in developmental screenings per quarter. All children receive screenings but may not warrant a screening every quarter.
- On average, 83.7% of children with identified developmental concerns were referred to appropriate services. Additionally, 94% of families followed through with the referrals.
- Each quarter, 90.1% of children are up-to-date with well-child visits.
- 96.7% of families served per quarter have access to a primary health care provider.
- 94.2% of pregnant women, on average, have the recommended number of pre-natal care visits. This is nearly 20 percentage points higher than the national average of 75.4%³.

Improve school readiness - Efforts to contribute to the well-being of children so that they are ready to succeed in school and life is paramount in the first years of life

- Zero to Three Secondary Prevention focuses on readiness factors to succeed including social, emotional and physical health, communication, enthusiasm and curiosity, the ability to problem solve, and being grounded in safe, stable, consistent, and nurturing relationships. Outcomes included:
- 91.1% of children served per quarter are up to date with age appropriate immunizations.
- 84.4% of children assessed per quarter meet age appropriate developmental milestones.

Increase local capacity to serve families at-risk – Building capacity and expanding prevention programs in communities

- Programs should maintain a stable level of services with steady matching funds and local supports so families identified with the greatest risk and need can receive community interventions. Outcomes included:
- On average, 93.6% of families served per quarter have three or more risk factors for child abuse and/or neglect.
- 100% of grantees maintained the number and types of services available to families throughout the fiscal year.
- Grantees continually secure matching funds to maintain stable levels of services to families at risk. In fiscal year 2008, \$2,223,340 cash and \$755,324 in-kind supports (46.57%) were expended beyond the \$6,649,000 of appropriated funds directed to the programs.

Support healthy family environments that discourage alcohol, tobacco and other drug use - Information and support that encourage healthy life choices, a physical environment that protects family members from injuries and illness and discourages use/abuse of drugs, tobacco, and alcohol are important to prevention activities.

- Zero to Three Secondary Prevention Programs incorporate this information into home visiting and parenting education activities. Outcomes included:
- 100% of grantees included educational opportunities and supports for healthy

³ United Health Foundation (2008). *America's Health Rankings: A Call to Action for People and Their Communities*. Table 32: Adequacy of prenatal care. Available: http://www.unitedhealthfoundation.com/ahr2008/prenatal.html#Table32

family environments free of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs.

Promotion of Marriage - These activities support healthy adult relationships so child well-being is maximized

- The majority of activities in 2008 aimed to maintain the support to grantees to help participants gain access to information on marriage and healthy relationships, enhancing positive relationship skills including effective communication and problem solving, promoting father involvement, and preventing domestic violence. Outcomes included:
- 100% of grantees have provided marriage and healthy relationship information and/or programming in fiscal year 2008.

Adult-Adolescent Parenting Inventory (AAPI-2) Data

In FY 2008, the Zero to Three Secondary Prevention Initiative continued the use of the AAPI-2 with all 52 programs. Based on data collected and analyzed since January 2005, statistically significant changes in parenting attitudes and decreases in risk factors are evident. While the evaluation is setting longitudinal goals, annual analyses show successes for families and children served.

The AAPI-2 measures parenting attitudes for five known attributes of those who maltreat children. The five constructs are Appropriate Expectations of Children, Empathy for the Needs of the Child, Alternatives to Corporal Punishment, Appropriate Parent and Child Roles, and Valuing Children's Power and Independence. Scores for each of the five AAPI-2 constructs range from a low of 1 to a high of 10; a score of 1, 2 or 3 on a construct is considered at-risk for the given construct. Additionally, the AAPI-2 evaluation is using a Demographic Questionnaire to track demographic and other life changes for participating families throughout their involvement.

Based on the fiscal year 2008 data available, the following is known about those participating in the AAPI-2 Evaluation with more than one administration (n = 1409) and Zero to Three Secondary Prevention:

- The majority of participants were female (95.3%), white (77.1%) and adults (93.2%).
- 15.2% of participants were teen parents.
- 53.6% of participants report household income of \$15,000 or less.
- 34.6% of participants are married and 38.2% are single women; the remaining participants are single men, unmarried couples or are separated or divorced.
- 45.3% of participants, on their initial administration, have at least one AAPI-2 construct score that places them at-risk.
- Additionally:
 - 43.2% of participants at the second administration of the AAPI-2 have at least one construct that place them at-risk.
 - 42.2% of participants at the third administration of the AAPI-2 (n = 512) have at least one construct that place them at-risk.

Participant's scores on the AAPI-2 are, on average, within normal levels with construct scores 4 or higher. The average initial AAPI-2 score determined at program enrollment,

for those taking at least two inventories, are listed below by construct:

- Appropriate Expectations of Children: 5.63; 9.4% of participants are at-risk.
- Empathy for Children's Needs: 5.07; 22.9% of participants are at-risk.
- Alternative to Corporal Punishment: 5.51; 15.0% of participants are at-risk.
- Appropriate Parent and Child Roles: 5.86; 15.8% of participants are at-risk.
- Valuing Children's Power and Independence: 5.84; 16.0% of participants are at-risk.

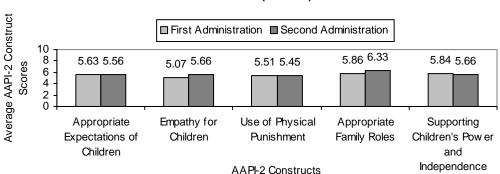


Figure 4: Changes in Average Scores from the First to the Second Administration (n = 1409)

Figure 4 shows the changes in scores from the first to the second administration for those participants with at least two administrations. Increases in average scores indicate an increase in positive parenting attitudes; increases in scores, therefore, are positive outcomes. Scores on the *Empathy for Children's Needs and Appropriate Parent and Child Roles* constructs changed statistically significantly (p < .001) and in a positive direction. However, scores on the Valuing Children's Power and Independence construct decreased statistically significantly (p < 0.01) from the initial assessment to the second administration.

Figure 5 shows the changes in scores from the first through third administrations of the AAPI-2 for those participants who completed the AAPI-2 at three time points (n = 512). Again, an increase in scores suggests a positive outcome. The positive changes in scores from the first to the third and the second to the third administration of the constructs *Appropriate Expectations of Children, Use of Physical Punishment*, and *Appropriate Parent and Child Roles* were statistically significant (p < .05). The positive change from the first to the third administration of *Empathy for Children's Needs* was statistically significant as well. The only negative change that was statistically significant was the change in scores from the second to the third administration on *Empathy for Children's Needs*.

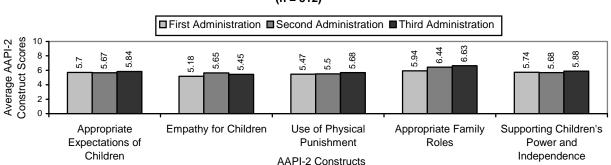


Figure 5: Changes in Average Scores from the First through the Third Administration (n = 512)

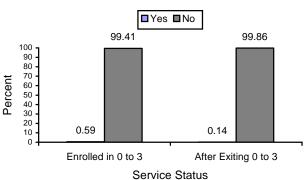
Return on Investment

In fiscal year 2007, the direct cost of child abuse and neglect in Michigan, adjusted for inflation, was estimated to be \$545,712,290.⁴ The direct cost of child abuse and neglect for children ages birth through three was approximately \$246,300,079.

In fiscal year 2008, approximately 3,041 children (91.60% of the 3,320 children of enrolled families) are from families who received Zero to Three Secondary Prevention services and were assessed to have three or more risk factors that are known to be associated with child maltreatment. Further analysis of CPS data found that 99.41% of the children enrolled in Zero to Three Secondary Prevention programs and 99.86% of the 3,172 families that exited services did not have a Category I or II CPS substantiation as of September 30, 2008.

Reliably predicting how many children who received Zero to Three Secondary Prevention services would have become confirmed victims of child abuse and neglect, had they not participated in the program, is challenging if not impossible. However, the Zero to Three Secondary Prevention Initiative has positively impacted thousands of vulnerable at-risk Michigan families that likely would have become involved in the child welfare system based on identified risk factors had Zero to Three services not been made available.

Figure 6: Categoy I or II CPS Substantiations for Children Served in Zero to Three Secondary Prevention for Fiscal Year 2008



Based on an analysis of fiscal year 2007 CPS data, by preventing child abuse and neglect and families entering the child welfare system, Zero to Three saved Michigan taxpayers an estimated \$49,635,036 with a Return on Investment of 516%. The R.O.I. calculation, albeit complex, reduces to *increased resources equals increased child abuse and neglect prevention equals increased savings*.

Child Abuse and Neglect Direct Costs, Gross Savings and Return on Investment (R.O.I.)				
Fiscal Year	Direct Costs	Gross Savings	Zero to Three Secondary	R.O.I.
			Prevention Costs	
2004	\$199,276, 980	\$33,804,176	\$4,774,000 (Appropriations)	709% (Appropriated Funds Basis)
2004	\$199,276,980	\$33,804,176	\$7,051,133 (Total Program Costs)	479% (Total Program Costs Basis)
2005	\$186,110,574	\$41,268,095	\$4,774,000 (Appropriations)	864% (Appropriated Funds Basis)
2005	\$186,110,574	\$41,268,095	\$6,785,024 (Total Program Costs)	608% (Total Program Costs Basis)
2006	\$187,254,217	\$43,704,518	\$6,274,000 (Appropriations)	697% (Appropriated Funds Basis)
2006	\$187,254,217	\$43,704,518	\$9,125,630 (Total Program Costs)	479% (Total Program Costs Basis)
2007	\$246,300,079	\$49,635,036	\$6,649,000 (Appropriations)	747% (Appropriated Funds Basis)
2007	\$246,300,079	\$49,635,036	\$9,627,664 (Total Program Costs)	516% (Total Program Costs Basis)

For more information about Michigan's 0-3 Secondary Prevention Initiative please contact Jeff Sadler at the Children's Trust Fund at sadlerm@michigan.gov.

⁴ Cost of Child Abuse and Neglect in Michigan, National Center on Child Abuse & Neglect Data Set, 1996, (revised 2003); annual adjustment for inflation at 2%









Allegan Area Educational Service Agency

County Served: Allegan; Contact: Kerenda Applebey (269) 673-6954; Grant Amount: \$128,374

The Zero to Three Prevention project will provide early identification and referrals, home visits, parenting education classes, and bilingual parenting services. The Parents as Teachers curriculum is utilized to strengthen parent's ability to understand their child's development and prepare them for school.

AuSable Valley Community Mental Health

Counties Served: losco & Ogemaw; Contact: Karen Wright (989) 362-8636; Grant Amount: \$77,081

The Child Mental Health Services provide home and community visits to families with multiple risk factors associated with child abuse and/or neglect. Specialists are qualified children Mental Health Specialists who work with the family to provide counseling, parenting and child development education, referrals for other services and transportation to appointments.

Barry-Eaton District Health Department

Counties Served: Barry & Eaton; Contact: Suzanne Thuma (517) 541-2603; Grant Amount: \$124,360

Healthy Families Barry Eaton is a home visiting program that provides screening, assessment, parenting education, information/referral services and linkages with community services. Several curricula are utilized depending on the needs of the family.

Capstone/Berrien County Health Dept.

County Served: Berrien; Contact: Judith Burnison (269) 926-1979; Grant Amount: \$202,250

The Prenatal and Early Childhood Nurse Home Visitation program will provide parenting education and assessment through home visiting services to low-income, first-time mothers and their families.

BHK Child Development Board

Counties Served: Houghton, Keweenaw, Baraga; Contact: Rod Liimatainen (906) 482-3663; Grant Amount: \$193,532

Services include: In-home Infant Mental Health services, increased access to the Maternal Infant Health Program (MIHP), respite care, emergency and sick-child care, and coordination of services by a consolidated Zero to Three advisory council. Baraga services provided include parenting education, play groups, Super Saturday programs, respite care and linkages to health and other community services.

BHK Child Development Board (new)

Counties Served: Baraga, Houghton, Keweenaw; Contact; Rod Lilmatainen (906) 482-3663; Grant Amount: \$100,000

The Early Start: Zero to Three Project supports at-risk pregnant mothers and families with infants and toddlers through home visits, parent-child playgroups and Playtime in the Park socialization opportunities, parenting classes, access to prevention-oriented resources and materials in Toy Libraries, and connections/referrals to additional services provided by the grantee and its community partners.

Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Community Health Agency

County Served: Hillsdale; Contact: Andrea Bricker (517) 437-7395 x116; Grant Amount: \$84,360

The Healthy Beginnings program is based on the Healthy Families model and promotes positive parent/child interaction, assesses families, and promotes healthy childhood growth and development. Services provided include screening, assessment, home visits, team planning, and referral to community services.

Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Community Health Agency (new)

County Served: Hillsdale; Contact: Andrea Bricker (517) 437-7395 X 116; Grant Amount: \$34,285

The Healthy Beginnings Program promotes strong nurturing families and preventing abuse and neglect through the *Healthy Families America* and *Parents As Teachers* models. Services include; screening, assessment, personal home visits, team planning and referrals to community services.

Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Community Health Agency

County Served: Branch; Contact: Andrea Bricker (517) 437-7395 x116; Grant Amount: \$186,366

This project of the Branch-Hillsdale-St. Joseph Community Health Agency and Branch County Intermediate School District and other community partners will serve families with children newborn to three years old with identified risk factors. Families will be screened, assessed and provided home visits to reduce abuse and neglect in the community using the Parents As Teachers curriculum.

Cadillac Area OASIS (Family Resource Center)

Counties Served: Wexford & Missaukee; Contact: Rhonda Weathers (231) 775-7299; Grant Amount: \$39,880

The Family Links Program provides home visiting services to families experiencing family, marital or partner conflict. Services include support services, parenting education, assisting the family in meeting medical, housing and childcare needs and helping to decrease family conflict and improve parent/ child interaction.









Catholic Charities West Michigan

County Served: Muskegon; Contact: Monica Marshell (231) 726-4735; Grant Amount: \$164,354

The Healthy Families program is designed to promote healthy child and family development by reducing risk factors, promoting healthy habits, strengthening parent/child bonds and empowering the family. Services include home visiting, parenting support and education, case management, support groups and assistance in accessing community resources.

Catholic Social Services

County served: Washtenaw; Contact: Christina Rivest (734) 761-1440; Grant Amount: \$200,000

The Healthy Families Program provides home visiting services to at-risk families with children age birth through three. Services include but are not limited to parenting support and education, advocacy, one-on-one supportive counseling, developmental screening, linkages to resources, transportation assistance and education about positive health practices focusing on preventing child abuse and neglect.

Central Michigan District Health Department

County Served: Clare; Contact: Catrina Weber (989) 539-6731 x 19; Grant Amount: \$46,263

Success by Three serves pregnant women and families through home visits that provide parent education, bonding, child development, community resources and focus on individual needs. Program utilizes public health nurse and program coordinator to provide services and coordinate services to families enrolled.

Child and Family Resource Council

County Served: Kent; Contact: Bev Crandall, M.S. (616) 454-HOPE; Grant Amount: \$200,000

Kent County Healthy Start is a program based on the Healthy Families America model and is a family support program for first-time parents to ensure the health, development and safety of children ages Zero to Three. Kent County Healthy Start services may include an in-home assessment, phone support and/or home visitation. Phone call support continues through the first year of their baby's life and home visitation can continue up to their baby's third birthday.

Child and Family Resource Council (new)

County Served: Kent; Contact: Bev Crandall, M.S. (616) 454-HOPE; Grant Amount: \$99,575

Kent County Healthy Start is a program based on the Healthy Families America model. This program includes an in-home assessment, phone call support and/or home visitation for first-time parents. This funding specifically supports expanding services to at-risk parents and expectant parents, ages 25 and younger, with multiple children through home visiting services to ensure the health, development and safety of children ages prenatal through three years.

Clinton County Family Resource Center

County Served: Clinton; Contact: Howard Comstock (989) 224-1173; Grant Amount: \$120,436

The Healthy Start program will provide universal screening of all births in Clinton County, service coordination and referrals, home visiting services focusing on child development and parent-child interactions and long-term parenting education and support. The MELD child abuse and neglect prevention model will also be utilized.

Community Healing Center

County Served: Kalamazoo; Contact: Mary Hockstra (269) 343-1651 x 118; Grant Amount: \$152,360

The Parents as Partners/Healthy Families program provides a variety of services including regularly scheduled home visits, parent support groups, and a monthly newsletter. The program uses a variety of curriculums to work with families on developing basic parenting skills and an understanding of child development.

Dickinson/Iron District Health Department

Counties Served: Dickinson & Iron; Contact: Joyce Ziegler (906) 265-4156; Grant Amount: \$81,446

The I.M.P.E.T.U.S. child abuse and neglect prevention project provides home visiting services focused on improving outcomes for the family. Services include parenting education, Welcome Newborn Resource Guide, parenting newsletters and information/referral services.

District Health Department #2

Counties Served: Álcona, Iosco, Oscoda, & Ogemaw; Contact: Debra Baumann, R.N. (989) 345-5020; Grant Amount: \$162,250 The Family Matters program will provide in-home services to at-risk families in the four-county area who are not eligible for other support services. Services will also include: parenting classes, monthly newsletters and information and referral services.

District Health Department #4

County Served: Alpena; Contact: Rosanne Schultz (989) 354-4230; Grant Amount: \$123,244

The Day One program will be expanded by hiring two additional family support workers to serve all families identified as being at risk for child abuse and neglect. The program is modeled after the Healthy Families program and provides home visiting services, a parent support group and information and referral services.









District Health Department #4

County Served: Montmorency: Contact: Rosanne Schultz (989) 354-4230; Grant Amount: \$71,371

The Day One program will provide enhanced parenting education and support through home visiting services. The Healthy Start model is being used with the Building Strong Families curriculum and will focus on child development, discipline techniques and positive parent-child interaction.

District Health Department #10

Counties Served: Manistee & Crawford; Contact: Marcia Walter (231) 355-7553; Grant Amount: \$145,026

The Collaborative Parent Education project promotes agency collaboration in providing parent education to maximize resources for at risk families in the rural counties of Manistee and Crawford, using the Parents As Teachers "Born to Learn" curriculum.

District Health Department #10 (new)

Counties Served: Manistee & Crawford; Contact: Marcia Walter (231) 355-7553; Grant Amount: \$34,931

This project promotes agency collaboration in providing parent education to maximize resources for at-risk families in the rural counties of Manistee and Crawford. The addition of the Parents as Teachers Nutrition and Fitness curriculum will help families develop their parenting skills in the area of nutrition and fitness as well the current developmental and parenting information. Support group time will be spent in physical activity such as a walking club or nutritional modules that provide ideas for healthy snacks.

District Health Department #10

Counties Served: Lake, Mason & Oceana; Contact: Marcia Walter (231) 355-7553; Grant Amount: \$164,360

This project promotes agency collaboration in providing parent education to "at risk" families in the rural counties of Mason, Lake and Oceana. The Parents as Teachers model will be used to provide home based parent education support, information/referral and advocacy services. Priority will be given to pregnant and parenting teens.

The Development Center

County Served: Wayne; Contact: Marilyn Schmitt (313) 531-2500; Grant Amount: \$164,360

The After Baby Comes project serves families in the City of Detroit, western Wayne County and the Downriver areas. Based on the Healthy Start Model, the project provides initial assessment, parent support, home visiting, supportive phone calls, infant massage and educational and play group opportunities.

EightCAP, Inc.

Counties Served: Isabella & Montcalm; Contact: MaDonna Adkins or Danielle Moy (616) 754-9315; Grant Amount: \$119,452 Early Head Start provides home-based services for families with children Zero to Three who have identified risk factors for child abuse and neglect. Services include: home visits, playgroups, parenting education & support, developmental assessments, health screenings & monitoring, linkage to community resources and overall case management.

Family and Children Services

County Served: Calhoun; Contact: Ted Lindberg (269) 569-8380; Grant Amount: \$137,819

Healthy Families Calhoun provides home visiting services to families with children between the ages of Zero to Three years who have been identified to have risk factors for child abuse and neglect. Services provided include assessment, parenting education, linkages to health care services, and case management.

Genesee Intermediate School District

County Served: Genesee; Contact: Gloria Bourdon (810) 591-4447; Grant Amount: \$84,360

Genesee I.S.D.'s S.K.I.P (Successful Kids Equals Involved Parents) uses the Parents as Teachers program model and curriculum. The program has an intensive home visitation component and educates parents on Safe Sleep principles.

Gratiot County Community Mental Health

County Served: Gratiot; Contact: Bob Radaz (989) 466-4163; Grant Amount: \$160,888

The Infant Mental Health Program at Gratiot County Community Mental Health serves at-risk mothers, fathers and infants with intensive, home-based services. The program offers case management, maternal infant psychotherapy, parent education and advocacy. The Infant Mental Health Model is used to promote attachment, improve parent-child relationships and teach about developmental guidelines.

Heartland Community Services

County Served: Mecosta; Contact: Donald Guernsey (231) 527-1890; Grant Amount: \$46,263

Parents and children will participate in the Nurturing Parent Program. The program shall consist of group based activities and on site home visits. Families will receive weekly assistance through a combination of activities. Transportation is provided to the group activities.









Heartland Community Services

County Served: Osceola; Contact: Donald Guernsey (866) 792-2133; Grant Amount: \$110,930

Parents and children will participate in the Nurturing Parent Program. The program shall consist of group based activities and in-home visits. Families will receive weekly assistance through a combination of activities. Transportation is provided to the group activities. Parents are also encouraged to participate in the parent support group which is designed to encourage parent networking and support.

Huron County Health Department

County Served: Huron; Contact: Gretchen Tenbusch (989) 269-9721; Grant Amount: \$48,749

Various services will be provided with the Zero to Three grant including a Zero to Three Family Mentor, playgroups and a Parenting the Second and Third Year Newsletters.

Ingham County Health Department

County Served: Ingham; Contact: Lisa Chambers (517) 702-3520; Grant Amount: \$135,560

The Jump Start Family Outreach Program provides voluntary, intensive, long-term support and education to families through home visiting services using the Healthy Families America model.

Ionia County Intermediate School District

County Served: Ionia; Contact: Cheryl Granzo (616) 527-4900, x1410; Grant Amount: \$148,650

The Begin with Babies project targets families that are low income and have three or more identified risk factors. The Parents As Teachers curriculum is used to assist families to increase their parenting knowledge and skills. Playgroups and home visiting services are also provided.

Monroe County Intermediate School District

County Served: Monroe; Contact: Douglas Redding (734) 242-5799 Ext. 1912; Grant Amount: \$28,076

The Great Expectations Teen Pregnancy Prevention Program is a collaborative venture between the Monroe County ISD, the Health Department and the nine local school districts. Pregnant teens and teen parents are provided education, information and referral, developmental assessment and parenting services through support groups and home visiting services.

Monroe County Intermediate School District (new)

County Served: Monroe; Expansion Grant; Contact: Douglas Redding (734)242-5799, ext. 1912; Grant Amount: \$23,442

Project: The Great Expectations teen pregnancy prevention program is expanded to includ adult women with children ages birth to three who have been prenatally exposed to alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. Pregnant teens and parents are provided education, information and referral, developmental assessment and parenting services through educational groups and home visiting services.

MSU Extension - Bay County

County Served: Bay; Contact: Howard Wetters (989) 895-4026; Grant Amount: \$117,944

Expanded home visiting services, hospital screenings, a central intake and referral system that includes a 1-800 number and educational and developmental mailings for enrolled families will be provided for at-risk families in Bay County.

MSU Extension - Grand Traverse County

County Served: Grand Traverse; Contact: Jennifer Berkey (231) 922-4821; Grant Amount: \$147,575

The Healthy Futures program will be expanded by hiring one public health nurse to provide service coordination and home visits to at-risk families. Training on the Parents as Teachers Curriculum will also be available to county service providers.

MSU Extension - Sanilac County

County Served: Sanilac; Contact: Gail Innis (810) 648-2515; Grant Amount: \$84,360

Healthy Families Sanilac is modeled after the Healthy Start program and provides home visiting services to new parents. Through the program, families learn about child development, nutrition and infant feeding, appropriate guidance and discipline, infant and toddler health care and life skills.

Newaygo Public Schools

County Served: Newaygo; Contact: Shirley Rose (231) 652-3843; Grant Amount: \$162,250

The Parents as Teachers curriculum is integrated with direct services to strengthen the parent's ability to understand their child's development, improve parenting attitudes and prepare the child for school. Monthly home visits, health information, early identification and referrals, parenting groups and parenting education opportunities will also be provided to at-risk families.









Northwest Michigan Community Health Agency

Counties Served: Charlevoix & Emmet; Contact: Patricia Fralick (231) 347-6014; Grant Amount: \$195,574

The Teen Parent Program serves pregnant or parenting teens with parenting education, information and referral, home visits and access to substance abuse services and medical care.

Northwest Michigan Community Health Agency (new)

County: Otsego; Contact Person: Patricia Fralick (231-347-5628). Grant Amount: \$50,752.

The Osego County Teen Parent Program serves pregnant or parenting teens with parenting education, information and referrals, home and school visits, support to complete an educational program and access to substance abuse services and medical care.

Oakland Family Services

County Served: Oakland; Contact: Christine White (248) 858-7766, ext. 319; Grant Amount: \$124,360

The Fussy Baby Program is targeted at families with infants and toddlers from birth to three years who are evidencing regulatory or behavioral difficulties that place them at high risk for abuse and neglect. The program offers assessment, service planning, coordination, and intervention in a strength-based, family friendly prevention service model.

Saginaw Co. Child Abuse & Neglect Council

County Served: Saginaw; Contact: Suzanne Greenberg (989) 752-7226; Grant Amount: \$204,360

The Birth Through Three Educational Program is based on the Healthy Families America model and utilizes the Parents as Teachers, Building Strong Families, and SKI*HI Parent/Infant curriculums. The program provides comprehensive assessment, weekly home visiting and parent support services.

Salvation Army

County Served: Wayne; Contact: Maureen Northrup (313) 537-2130; Grant Amount: \$74,250

The Next Step program targets pregnant and parenting teenage mothers with children age birth through three. The grant will expand the program to serve more families and will also provide intensive services in the areas of home visits, case management and group services.

Shiawassee County Health Department

County Served: Shiawassee; Contact: Rose Mary Asman (989) 743-2355; Grant Amount: \$139,854

The Healthy Families program will be expanded to provide home visiting services to at-risk families in Shiawassee County. Case management and linkages to other needed services will be provided by a multi-disciplinary team.

Spaulding for Children

County Served: Wayne; Contact: Kelly Baber (248) 443-0300; Grant Amount: \$164,360

The Parenting Consortium program targets low income families who live in Detroit, Highland Park and Hamtramck who are pregnant or have at least one child between birth and age three. Services include parenting education, child assessment, health and economic support services and linkages with community resources.

Spaulding for Children

County Served: Macomb; Contact: Kelly Baber (248) 443-0300; Grant Amount: \$200,000

This program has an outreach worker who will provide intensive services to address the risk factors for child maltreatment in families with children birth through 47 months of age. Family assessments (Individual Service Plans), case management, information and referral services, and linkages to community services will be provided. Judson Center-Macomb will partner with Spaulding to provide parent training using the Nurturing Parenting Program, Parenting with Love & Logic, the Caring for My Family curriculum and other models and curriculums as identified by the Advisory Committee based on client input.

St. Joseph Mercy Hospital

County Served: Oakland; Contact: Melissa Freel (248) 335-5638 x 2; Grant Amount: \$164,360

Healthy Start/Healthy Families Oakland works with St. Joseph Mercy Hospital and Providence Hospital to screen all newborn families. At risk families will receive home visiting services to promote healthy child growth and development, improved parent-child relationships and enhanced family functioning.

Tuscola County Health Department

County Served: Tuscola; Contact: Kathy Pokorski (989) 673-8114 x115; Grant Amount: \$135,898

Home visiting services will be expanded and support groups will be created for at-risk families in Tuscola County. Services will be coordinated through a central intake, assessment and database tracking of families.









Van Buren Zero to Three Project

County served: Van Buren; Contact: Margie Murphy (269) 674-8091 x 385; Grant Amount: \$175,000

The Healthy Families Program provides home visiting services to at risk families with children age birth through three. Services include but are not limited to parenting support and education, advocacy, one-on-one supportive counseling, developmental screening, linkages to resources, transportation assistance and education about positive health practices focusing on preventing child abuse and neglect.

Women's Resource Center

County Served: Livingston; Contact: Pam Carter (517) 548-2200; Grant Amount: \$63,608

The Healthy Families Livingston program serves at-risk families with home visiting services. By nurturing the parent or other caregiver, the Family Support Workers encourage appropriate behavior, goal setting and health maintenance, teach problem solving skills, and assist the family with healthy parent-child interaction and child development.

A Family Success Story:

Erica is a teenage mother with two children ages, 18 months and four months. She is attending a local alternative education program, passing her classes and earning high school credit. Both of her children are up-to-date on their immunizations and well child visits. Her oldest child has met physical and cognitive developmental milestones based on the following ASQ screenings: 4 months, 6 months, 8 months, 10 months, 12 months, 14 months, and 16 months. The child has also met social emotional developmental milestones based on the following ASQ-SE screenings: 6 months and 12 months. Her youngest child will begin to be screened in December 2008. Erica actively participates in home visits where Parents As Teachers, Home Safe Kids, and nutrition education are provided. She is actively seeking employment, has obtained her drivers license and has also purchased a car.



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